The State Bar of California IBM AS400 Migration to i5

Request for Proposal: Questions and Responses

- 1. In the 9406-525 equipment configuration list you refer to "rack-mountable". Do you need the vendor to provide a rack, or are the 525 items going into an existing rack? If it's to go in to an existing rack can you provide manufacturer and dimensions so that we can insure correct rails?
- Existing rack system, 19" most likely one of the Bar's existing IBM's 9309 racks. Vendor to provide mounting hardware and guides.
- 2. Can you help me better understand the requirements of the High Availability statement in "C. Minimum Software Requirements". Specifically, you refer to the vendor providing a High Availability solution for "near real-time backup of applications and data". This can take many forms.
- HA application and procedure will backup to one of the LPAR's and then to tape.
- 3. Per the install records on 9406-2B24D, your OS is a V5R2. Correct?
- Current OS on systems (9406-2B24D & 102B21D) is Version V5R2.
- 4. In the 525 configuration it appears you want to have three LPAR's set up?
- Most likely LPAR configuration will consist of: Production Partition, Development Partition and Backup Partition.
- 5. How much available disk space do you want for each partition; is it to be raid-5; do you want/need a specific disk controller utilized in the partitions?
- To be determined during configuration process.
- 6. How many partitions need 100Mb Ethernet which is SNA capable and how many need 1Gb?
- To be determined during configuration process.

- 7. What backup media do the 720's utilize? I'm trying to figure out how we do a backup/restore from the 720 to the 525 since the 525 will have LTO.
- Currently the 720's are backed up utilizing a IBM 3590.
- 8. Does the 525 need to support any twinax devices or dial-up lines.
- Current configuration does not include any Twinax support. If support is needed it will be addressed after the RFP award.
- 9. After you have migrated off both 720's and on to the 525, do you need the 525 to support attachment of a 3590?
- Not at this time
- 10. Redundant power only for the system unit or the expansions too?
- Redundant Power for the system unit.